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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Initial Comments:

This response addresses the status of Claims 1-50. Claims 10-25 and 35-50 are allowed. Claims 2, 3, 7, 8, 27, 28, 32, and 33 are objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 1, 4-6, 9, 26, 29-31, and 34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious by U.S. Patent 6,606,588 (Schaumont) in view of U.S. Patent 6,526,459 (Sevalia).

Claims 1, 3, 6, 8, 26, 28, and 33 are amended herein. Claims 2, 7, 27, and 32 are cancelled.

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